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The JCP delegation looked around the Nampo industrial district, fruit and cooperative farms in Onchun district and the Hwanghai Iron Works.

Photo: Accompanied by Marshal Kim Il Sung, the JCP delegation looked around a cooperative farm.

Banquet Arranged for JCP Delegation in Presence of Marshal KIM IL SUNG

PYONGYANG, Aug. 25 (KCNA)—The Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea arranged a banquet at the Okryoo Hall on the evening of Aug. 25 in the presence of Comrade Kim Il Sung to welcome the visiting delegation of the Japan Communist Party.

Invited to the banquet were the members of the delegation of the Japan Communist Party headed by Comrade Kenji Miyamoto, Member of the Presidium and General Secretary of the C.C. of the Japan Communist Party.

Present at the banquet were Comrade Choi Yong Kun and Comrade Kim Il, Members of the Political Committee and its Presidium and Secretaries, of the C.C. of the Workers' Party of Korea; Comrade Pak Sung Chul and Comrade Li Joo Yun, Members of the Political Committee of the C.C. of the WPK; Comrade Suk San, Comrade Huh Bong Hak, Comrade Kim Yung Joo and Comrade Choi Kwang, Candidate Members of the Political Committee and Secretaries, of the C.C. of the WPK; and Department Directors of the C.C. of the WPK and other responsible functionaries of the Party and mass organizations.

Comrade Kazuo Takasugi, special correspondent of "Akahata," central organ of the Japan Communist Party, to Korea, was also invited.

When Comrade Kim Il Sung entered the banquet hall together with Comrade Kenji Miyamoto, amid the playing of the welcome music, the entire attendants rose from their seats and extended warm welcome with prolonged applause.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the C.C. of the Workers' Party of Korea, spoke first.

Then Kenji Miyamoto, head of the delegation of the Japan Communist Party, made a speech.

The banquet proceeded in a friendly and comradely atmosphere from beginning to end.

Speech of General Secretary KIM IL SUNG

Follows the full text of the speech made by Marshal Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, at a banquet given on August 25 by the C.C. of the WPK in welcome of the delegation of the Japan Communist Party:

Esteemed Comrade Kenji Miyamoto,

Dear comrades members of the delegation of the Japan Communist Party,

Dear comrades and friends,

We are very happy today to sit in company with Comrade Kenji Miyamoto and other comrades of the fraternal Japan Communist Party in a friendly atmosphere overflowing with amicability.

I, in the name of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and our entire Party membership, warmly welcome the visit to our country of the delegation of the Japan Communist Party headed by Comrade Kenji Miyamoto.

The current visit of the delegation of the Japan Communist Party to our country will greatly contribute to further strengthening the traditional friendship and militant solidarity sealed between the two Parties and peoples of Korea and Japan and advancing the revolutions of our two countries which are developing in close relations to each other.

Today the Japan Communist Party as the vanguard detachment of the Japanese working class, is leading the Japanese revolution on an independent stand on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and registering great successes.

The Japan Communist Party is organizing and waging a struggle against the U.S. imperialists and the Japanese monopoly capital by rallying broad democratic forces, in the teeth of all persecution by the U.S. and Japanese reactionaries.

The Japan Communist Party, at the head of the Japanese people, is struggling resolutely against the U.S. imperialist aggression on Vietnam and for the abrogation of the Japan-U.S. "Security Pact" and "Japan-South Korea Treaty," the dismantling of the U.S. military bases and realization of the total return of Okinawa and against the revival of militarism and for the frustration of the retrogressive revision of the Constitution and election system and for the interests of the people.

Today, the Japan Communist Party has grown into the biggest organizing force ever since its founding and further strengthened the unity and militant might of the Party ranks by exposing and smashing the splitting and subversive machinations of the opportunists of all hues and anti-Party factional elements who had smuggled themselves in the Party.

Upholding the banner of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, the Japan Communist Party is striving actively for the unity of the international communist movement and its strengthening and development against Right and Left opportunism.

Today the Japan Communist Party has won deep trust and high prestige among the broad masses of people of Japan and its international position is also rising higher.

Today the Japanese people under the guidance of the Japan Communist Party are waging a resolute struggle against the machinations of war and reaggression of U.S. imperialism and Japanese militarism, its faithful ally, and exploitation and plunder by the Japanese monopolies

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Speech of General Secretary Kenji Miyamoto

Follows the full text of the speech made by General Secretary Kenji Miyamoto of the Central Committee of the JCP at a banquet arranged on August 25 by the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea for the delegation of the Japan Communist Party:

Esteemed Comrade Kim Il Sung,
Dear comrades and friends,

We express heartfelt thanks for arranging such a cordial banquet in welcome of our delegation of the Japan Communist Party.

Two and a half years have passed since our last visit to your Republic. Comrade Kim Il Sung whom I met after a long time is in very good health and other comrades leading cadres are also in very good health, and you are striving to meet with great successes the 20th anniversary of the founding of the glorious Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

We express sincere congratulations for this.

When we were passing through the streets, many songs greeting the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Republic were heard here and there. They, we think, are songs of great joy of the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea eulogizing the splendid successes in your socialist construction.

During the two and a half years since our last visit to your country, many events have taken place. Among them are the Conference of your Party which you held with big success and, as for us, the 10th Congress of our Party.

We read the report delivered by Comrade Kim Il Sung at the Conference of your Party and the 10-point Political Programme announced by him at a session of the Supreme People's Assembly and sincerely rejoice over the fact that your Party under the leadership of the Party Central Committee headed by Comrade Kim Il Sung is taking a correct and sure road with success.

One of the impressive and important events during this period is the question of the "Pueblo."

The thorough and determined attitude taken by your Party and Government at the time of this incident greatly inspired the world people opposed to imperialism. To be frank with you, your Party and Government directly faced with the provocation of U.S. imperialism in front demanded apology from U.S. imperialism, the biggest imperialism in the world and the most vicious reaction in the world, and determinedly defended the sovereignty of the country with great courage and composure at a time when some people of other countries not directly standing opposed to U.S. imperialism were fearing, instead of expressing indignation at the provocation and illegal act of U.S. imperialism. This attitude was a common pride for the international communist movement and the world people opposed to imperialism.

Availing myself of this opportunity, I say once again that the entire Party members of the Japan Communist Party were sincerely moved by the cordial kindness you expressed to Comrade Sunama of our Party when he was passing through the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in August last year. This kindness was not a mere kindness but a kindness which requires great courage in view of the complex situation of the present international communist movement alone.

This is courage and kindness which can be expressed only by such a Party which firmly adheres to the principles of proletarian internationalism and Marxism-Leninism and is convinced of them.

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and for the improvement of the living conditions.

Our Party and people are sincerely rejoiced over all the successes made by the Japan Communist Party and the Japanese people and express firm solidarity with the righteous struggle of the Japanese people headed by the Japan Communist Party.

Our Party has turned our country into a powerful socialist state independent in politics, self-sustaining in economy and self-defensive in national defence in a historically short span of time by thoroughly embodying the ideas of *Juche* in all fields of politics, economy, culture and military in the past period.

Proceeding from the obtaining internal and external situation and our revolutionary duties, today our Party is energetically carrying on the work for further increasing the economic and military might of the country by stepping up economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel and for revolutionizing and working classizing the whole society

Our entire Party membership and people, rallied firmer than ever before around the Central Committee of the Party and upholding the programmatic tasks put forth by the Party Conference and the 10 point Political Programme of the Government of the Republic, are actively struggling to consolidate still further the revolutionary base of the northern half of the Republic, accomplish the South Korean revolution by actively supporting and assisting the struggle of the South Korean people and realize the unification of the fatherland and win the nation wide victory of the revolution.

We express thanks to the Communist Party and people of Japan for positively supporting and encouraging the struggle of our people for socialist construction and the independent unification of the fatherland and resolutely supporting the just struggle of the Korean citizens in Japan for defending the democratic, national rights.

The Workers' Party of Korea and the Korean people value the friendship and solidarity with the Japan Communist Party and the Japanese people.

The Korean and Japanese Communists are revolutionary comrades-in-arms who supported each other and cooperated with each other in the protracted struggle against the common enemy and today they are struggling shoulder to shoulder with each other in the common struggle against U.S. and Japanese imperialism.

We are glad to have had an opportunity to discuss again with the delegation of the Japan Communist Party led by Comrade Kenji Miyamoto a number of questions of concern for the two Parties.

We will do everything possible in the future, too, to strengthen the solidarity and cooperation between the two Parties and two peoples based on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.

I propose to drink a toast to the friendship and solidarity between the Korean and Japanese Parties and peoples, to the unity of the international communist movement and the solidarity of the anti-imperialist revolutionary forces, to the health of Comrade Sanzo Nosaka and Comrade Kenji Miyamoto and other leaders of the Japan Communist Party, to the health of the members of the delegation of the Japan Communist Party and to the health of the comrades present here.

Speech of General Secretary Kenji Miyamoto

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struggle of the Japanese people since our last visit, in the election of the Governor of Tokyo Metropolis, a city with a population of 10 million, held in April last year, they formed a united front centering around the Japan Communist Party and the Socialist Party and won the success of achieving the election of a democratic Governor recommended by the reformist forces, defeating a candidate of the agents of U.S. imperialism and Japanese monopoly capital.

The reactionary forces of Japan had obstructed the recognition of the Korean University built for the education of the sons and daughters of citizens of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea residing in Japan but this Governor recognized the University as a lawful school in April last, thereby bringing this long pending question to a conclusion.

In the future, too, we will struggle against the oppression by the reactionary forces and for the legitimate right of Korean citizens in Japan to national education and their freedom of travel to and from the homeland and repatriation.

The joint statement we signed with the Workers' Party of Korea during our last visit correctly put forth the common tasks of the international communist movement and the Parties and peoples of the two countries at that time.

The correctness of this joint statement was convincingly proved by the situation and many experiences in the two and a half years since then.

It is because the joint statement was based on the principles of Marxism-Leninism, determined attitude toward Right and Left opportunism, factionalism and revisionism and allegiance to the common cause of the international communist movement.

Especially, we pointed out that the attack of U.S. imperialism against Vietnam is an expression of the U.S. imperialist policy of smashing one by one and pointed to our vigilance against the fact that this policy of smashing one by one would be one of its basic tactics in the future, too, and to the necessity of forming an anti-imperialist international united front against this—all these assume greater importance today.

We the Communist Party and the democratic forces of Japan are determined to wage a staunch struggle in any case against the vicious attack and intrigues of U.S. imperialism when it perpetrates provocation and attack against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

At present the struggle for the abrogation of the Japan-U.S. military alliance and the struggle for restoring Okinawa from the U.S. occupation are the central task of the struggle of the people in Japan.

This task is a link in the important common task of crushing the domination of U.S. imperialism over Asia.

We are convinced that the common struggle against U.S. imperialism, the common enemy, and against Japanese monopoly capital and the reactionary forces and militarist forces of Japan will further develop along a correct line through our current visit and talks between the two Parties.

I propose to drink a toast to the good health of comrades of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Comrade Kim Il Sung, and other comrades, to the strengthening and development of the militant friendship between the Japan Communist Party and the Workers' Party of Korea based on Marxism-Leninism and to the triumphant advance of the struggle of the people the world over against U.S. imperialism.

In Statement

Chairman Han Duk Su Flays "2nd ROK-Japan Ministerial Meet"

Chairman Han Duk Su of the Central Standing Committee of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan (CHONGRYUN), issued a statement on Aug. 31, exposing and condemning the criminal true colors of the "2nd South Korea-Japan Ministerial Conference" which the South Korean puppet clique and the Japanese militarists staged under the orders of U.S. imperialism.

The statement reads in part:

According to reports, the "2nd South Korea-Japan Ministerial Conference" which opened on Aug. 27 in Seoul ended on Aug. 29, issuing a "joint communique, another aggressive document."

Essentially, the "South Korea Japan Ministerial Conference" is an aggressive permanent organization which was set up by the U.S. imperialists for the purpose of further strengthening the military, political and economic ties between the Japanese militarists and the Pak Jung Hi clique, so as to help reinforce their shaky colonial rule over South Korea and prepare a new aggressive war against the northern half of the Republic.

In their "joint communique" the Japanese militarists twaddled that they must further strengthen mutual "cooperation" as the "security of South Korea vitally affects the security of Japan."

In particular, noisily alleging the so-called "threat from the North," the Japanese militarists supported openly the frantic new war provocative maneuverings and "anti-communist" racket of U.S. imperialism and the Pak Jung Hi clique.

Moreover, the Japanese militarists expressed support for the so-called "honourable peace" in Vietnam and raved that they would do everything within their power to maintain and "strengthen the cooperation system through the Asian Pacific Council," and thereby revealed their true intention of positively supporting the vicious intrigues of U.S. imperialism for war expansion in Asia.

Furthermore, the Japanese militarists were open and shameless enough to utter their malicious intention to strenuously obstruct an independent unification of Korea, introducing the signboard of the "United Nations" which has no competence nor authority to interfere in the domestic affairs of Korea.

It is shown above, the "joint communique" clearly testifies to the fact that the military, political and economic ties between the Japanese militarists and the Pak Jung Hi clique have reached their new grave stage and that a virtual aggressive military alliance has been formed between them.

The Japanese militarists who have embarked on the road of full-scale reinvasion of South Korea under the active instigation of U.S. imperialism since the conclusion of the aggressive "South Korea-Japan Treaty," are viciously maneuvering to realize their old dream of a "Greater East Asia Co-prosperity Sphere."

As a reward for their positive participation in the Asian aggressive policy of U.S. imperialism, the Japanese militarists are allowed to pipe-dream of realizing their overseas expansionist ambition and have picked South Korea as their first target.

All these facts are vivid evidence to the fact that Japanese militarism is emerging as a dangerous aggressive force in Asia.

In the latest "joint communique" the Japanese militarists openly and shamelessly laid bare their intention to intensify their machinations to impose puppet "ROK nationality" upon Korean citizens in Japan, utilizing the "Agreement on the Legal Status of Koreans in Japan" and to suppress and restrict their right to democratic, national education.

Noteworthy is the fact that they promised the South Korean Pak Jung Hi clique to totally deprive Korean citizens here of their sacred national right to repatriation which is at the same time an urgent humanitarian demand.

This is another unmistakable proof that the Japanese militarists are ready to trample underfoot the basic human rights and the principles of humanitarianism for political dealings with the Pak Jung Hi clique.

These machinations of the Japanese militarists are an intolerable challenge to the peoples of Korea and Japan and an undisguised manifestation of the hostile policy toward the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The Japanese militarists must look straight at the situation and must not run wild.

Today's Korean people are not what they were in the past. Present-day Asia is not Asia of the past.

Today, the Korean people are rallied rock-firm around Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people and have a mighty socialist country which is fully prepared to counter easily any aggressive machination from outside forces.

If the Japanese militarists persist in their aggressive maneuverings against Korea and Asia, they will not be able to escape the powerful counterattack of the peoples of the whole world including the Korean and the Japanese peoples and will certainly face a miserable.

The Japanese militarists must immediately scrap the illegal "South Korea-Japan Treaty" and desist from reckless reaggressive machinations against South Korea.

We strongly demand that the Japanese militarists immediately abandon their hostile policy toward the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and fully guarantee for Korean citizens all their democratic, national rights including the rights to repatriation and national education.

PRESS CONFERENCE WITH CREW OF U.S. IMPERIALIST ARMED SPY SHIP "PUEBLO"

The crew of the U.S. imperialist armed spy ship "Pueblo" once again apologize for the criminal acts they have committed and express their ardent desire and wishes to the American people and public in large

ON THE SPOT, Aug. 14 (KCNA)—Newspaper, news agency and radio correspondents at home had a press conference on Aug. 13 with crew members of the U.S. imperialist armed spy ship "Pueblo," now in detention in our country since they were captured by self-defensive measures of the Naval Force of the Korean People's Army on Jan. 23, while conducting criminal espionage and hostile acts deep in the territorial waters of the DPRK.

The press conference was held at the unanimous request of the entire crew of the U.S. imperialist armed spy ship "Pueblo."

Present at the press conference were correspondents of the daily *Rodong Shinmoon* and many other papers, the *Korean Central News Agency* and the *Korean Central Broadcasting Committee*. Also there were captain of the "Pueblo," five officers, a civilian senior oceanographer, and 18 representatives the crew had selected from among the enlisted men by common consent.

At the press conference Commander Bucher, commanding officer of the armed spy ship "Pueblo," on behalf of the officers, crew and civilian oceanographers of "Pueblo" expressed his deep thanks to the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for having granted them this opportunity to meet with men of the press in compliance with their request.

He said that although the entire "Pueblo" crew are criminals who committed espionage and hostile acts after having intruded into Korea's territorial waters they are now most sincerely repentant of those crimes and that they earnestly requested permission to hold this press conference in order to have assistance in realizing their earnest desire for repatriation.

He further said:

We sincerely hope through this press conference to firstly inform our families and loved ones and the American people that through the generous humanitarian treatment that has been afforded the entire crew is well and being provided with adequate conditions for living.

Secondly, we wish to express our intense desire to be reunited with our families at the earliest possible moment and thereby to appeal to the people of the United States to urge our Government to take appropriate action to enable us to return home.

The correspondents first asked about the health of the crew of "Pueblo."

Answering the question, members of the crew, citing concrete instances, told in one voice that the health of the entire crew is in very good condition, due to the humanitarian treatment afforded them by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and said that they are provided with many of the necessities which are very important factors in maintaining good health, such as, an adequate diet, regular exercise, clean living conditions and the facilities to keep themselves clean and are given necessary medical assistance.

Saying that their daily schedule are quite liberal, they told about their book reading, film appreciation and sports and cultural activities.

And they said that even though they are afforded humanitarian treatment by the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, they desire to return home very much.

Answering the question of correspondents what is the most ardent desire of the members of the crew of the "Pueblo," they unanimously answered that it is to return to the United States and meet their parents, wives and children, relatives and friends.

Lt. Murphy, executive officer, expressed this desire in the following words:

A long time ago I admitted and apologized and am repentant for the crimes I committed against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea accorded me leniency and humanitarian treatment even though I was a criminal. I think perhaps just as soon as the Government of the United States of America admits, apologizes and assures not to repeat these crimes again, which we have committed, that we may return home to our longing family and friends.

PO2 Sterling said:

I think this press conference will help this dream come true. I think this press conference will have a great impact on the American people, consequently causing them to take fast action, to persuade our Government to make an apology and to assure the Korean people such an act as we committed will not happen again.

I think that it will also assure the American people that our health is good and that they will realize the graveness of our crimes and that we hope to return home soon.

I hope also that it conveys to the Korean people the sincerity of the crew's repentance for the crimes that we have committed against them and that they will take this into consideration when determining our fates.

PO2 Escamilla said:

I hope that the people of the United States of America may convince the administration to do their best to get the "Pueblo" crew repatriated.

And finally, I want to say —people of the United States of America don't forget the "Pueblo" crew of 82 men who await the time when they will be able to return home.

Next the correspondents asked members of the crew to tell what will be the way to see their earnest desire come true and if they have ever thought of it.

To this Commander Bucher, commanding officer, said that in his opinion the way for them to be repatriated is for their Government under whose orders they operated to accept its responsibility and to give assurances and apologize.

He added:

First I should say they should apologize and admit our guilt and to give assurances to the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and their Government that such criminal act will not be repeated again.

As is well known to the American people we of "Pueblo" were caught red-handed while committing espionage well within your territorial waters and all the facts of these crimes have been proved beyond doubt by the evidence captured with us, namely the documents and the navigational records.

For our part, we of Pueblo have admitted and have apologized to the Korean people and asked them for their leniency.

I urgently appeal to the American people to recognize the simple truth of these statements and to urge our Government to accept the responsibility for these acts that we may be reunited with our families and loved ones.

PO2 Anderson said: Considering the firm stand of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and considering that stand has been consistent from the very first days of our detention, I feel that the way for my shipmates and I to realize our dream of returning home will be for the United States Government to meet the conditions described in that stand.

He said he thinks the stand taken by the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is a just one and that it will not change. He expressed his hope that the United States Government may make the necessary apology very soon, so that they may all be reunited with their families at the earliest possible time.

Then the correspondents asked members of the crew why did they think the U.S. Government which masterminded the criminal acts still does not want to make an apology for those crimes.

To this question, Lt. j.g. Schumacher, operations officer, said he feels that it is political factors which have nothing to do with the actual facts of the case that the United States Government does not try to settle this issue with honesty and responsibility, especially when the details of their criminal acts of espionage against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and intrusion into its territorial waters have been conclusively proven.

My appeal, therefore, is for the United States Government to lay aside whatever political considerations they have and seek to realize our repatriation as early as possible by accepting fully the responsibility for our crimes and our fates, he said.

Answering the question of the correspondents what did they think would be their fate if the U.S. Government did

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The crew of the U.S. imperialist armed spy ship "Pueblo" are in good shape, thanks to the humanitarian treatment by the DPRK. Photo: One of the crew receiving treatment

Correspondents interview the crew of the U.S. imperialist armed spy ship "Pueblo" which conducted criminal espionage acts deep in the territorial waters of the DPRK.

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not apologize for the crimes of the "Pueblo," PO2 Duke said:

There is a limit to the patience of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. If the United States Government does not admit, apologize and insure that such acts will not be repeated again, the crew will be held responsible for them. We will be placed on trial in this country and punished according to their laws.

Ens. Harris, supply officer, said: If responsible people of the United States Government do not accept the responsibility to apologize and reassure that such crimes will not be repeated, then we the crew members of the "USS Pueblo" will be held responsible.

If the responsibility settles on us then we will be brought to trial and punished according to the laws of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

PO2 Anderson said that when the United States Government apologizes their dreams may be realized. Expressing the hope that the American public will do all they can to help the crew realize their dreams very, very soon, he asked the correspondents to convey the earnest desire of the crew to the American public.

The correspondents asked members of the crew their opinion on the invariable stand of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on the "Pueblo" case.

To this, Cwo Lacy, engineering officer, pointed out: The position of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is that the United States Government must admit the espionage and intrusions, apologize and assure that they will not be repeated again, otherwise repatriation cannot be realized.

In light of the evidence and our established guilt and the fact that we have confessed we believe this position to be a just one, and therefore believe that the United States Government is responsible to admit the facts of our crime, apologize and assure that our repatriation may become a reality, he said.

PO2 Langenberg said that since violation of territorial integrity is against international law it seems to him that the firm stand taken by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, a sovereign state, is reasonable and justifiable.

There was talk at the press conference about the fact that the members of the crew have well heard from their families through correspondence during their detention and their relatives and friends hope that their repatriation will be realized at an early date.

Members of the crew said that through letters they have learned that there are social movements in the United States for their earlier repatriation.

The correspondents asked them what impact did they think it would have on their repatriation.

Members of the crew said that they think such social movements will have a positive impact upon their repatriation.

Especially Commander Bucher, commanding officer, stressed:

We are extremely hopeful that the impact and influence of these campaigns will be decisive in our behalf.

Many other questions were dealt with at the press conference.

After the press conference, the correspondents saw various aspects of life of the crew of the "Pueblo," the armed spy ship of the U.S. imperialist aggression forces, and met the individual crew members who were not present at the press conference to hear their wishes and desire.

Some of the crewmen of the U.S. imperialist armed spy ship "Pueblo" playing table tennis

Rodong Shinmoon Flays U.S. Imperialists and Their Stooges For Brutal Suppression of South Korean Patriots

PYONGYANG, Aug. 27 (KCNA)—Dailies here today come out with commentaries lambasting the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique who arrested and are brutally persecuting 140 South Korean revolutionaries and patriots who had been waging a struggle for the South Korean revolution and the unification of the fatherland by forming an underground organization called the "United Revolutionary Party."

A commentary of *Rodong Shinmoon*, the organ of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, brands this malicious fascist-terror suppression by the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique under the wirepulling of the U.S. imperialists as one more thrice-cursed, unpardonable treacherous act and sternly denounces it. The suppression of the "United Revolutionary Party," the commentary remarks, is an extension of the daily intensifying suppressive rampage of the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique against the South Korean revolutionaries and patriots and one more unpardonable provocative act intended to put down by all means the steadily growing patriotic forces in South Korea and thus bridge over the deepening crisis of their colonial rule in South Korea and further intensify the policies of aggression and war in Korea.

It is none other than the U.S. imperialist aggressors and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, their despicable stooges who should be brought to trial and punished by the people, the commentary notes, and continues:

The revolutionary struggle of the people mounting in South Korea is a natural outcome of the colonial rule of the U.S. imperialists.

As Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people, said, **"Where there are exploitation and oppression, there always breaks out the revolutionary struggle of the people."**

It is natural for the South Korean people, unable to tolerate any longer the poverty and non-right imposed by the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, to raise the flames of the revolutionary struggle, having determined to rise up and fight rather than sit meekly and die.

Particularly, the South Korean people find the road of freedom and liberation in the programme of the South Korean revolution and the unification of the fatherland elucidated by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the Korean revolution, and are fighting dauntlessly for bringing earlier the glorious day when they will lead a new life together with the people in the northern half under the most advanced socialist system in a unified fatherland under his leadership.

The struggle of the South Korean revolutionaries and patriots who joined the "United Revolutionary Party" is part of such a patriotic revolutionary struggle surging higher as the days go by among the South Korean people.

The revolutionaries and patriots embraced in the "United Revolutionary Party" have courageously waged all forms of patriotic struggle including the armed guerrilla struggle for liquidating the colonial rule of the U.S. imperialists and achieving the unification of the fatherland and, after forming the "National Liberation Front" and "Fatherland Liberation Front," have struggled for the formation of a broad anti-U.S., national salvation united front and educated the masses in the invincible revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader, through the progressive theories of communism, especially through the "Selected Works of Kim Il Sung" and other immortal works of the Leader and studied and propagandized the programme of the unification of the fatherland put forth by the Leader and the socialist system established in the northern half of the Republic and struggled for their materialization, the commentary says, and continues:

The struggle of the South Korean revolutionaries and patriots reflects the unanimous aspiration of the South Korean people who boundlessly revere Comrade Kim Il Sung and gain confidence and courage from the line and programme of the South Korean revolution and the unification of the fatherland put forth by him and ardently desire the unification of the fatherland and are struggling unyieldingly for its accomplishment, confidently seeing the future of the nation in the road followed by the northern half under his outstanding leadership.

Today, the South Korean revolutionaries and patriots are fighting actively to eradicate the root cause of the national calamities, being concerned for the situation prevailing in South Korea today, and to accelerate the South Korean revolution and the unification of the fatherland. It is natural that they are so struggling as the Korean nation and patriots.

Recalling that the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique have resorted to brutal suppression in South Korea by fabricating the "case of the Operative Group for Communizing South Korea" and many other cases this year alone, and are now bestially persecuting those involved in the struggle of the "United Revolutionary Party," letting loose the rigmarole that they had acted under somebody's "dictates" and so on, the commentary stresses: With no fabrication or bestial suppression can the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique ever pull the wool over the eyes of the people nor can they break the fighting will of South Korean revolutionaries and patriots who value the destiny of the country and the nation more than their own lives and keep fighting courageously, fearing neither prison nor gallows.

The South Korean revolutionaries and patriots should fight relentlessly against the fascist terror rule of the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and for the unconditional, immediate release of the arrested and imprisoned revolutionaries and patriots and particularly, thoroughly arm themselves with the great revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, and fight more vigorously along the one road of victory indicated by him, concludes the commentary.

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